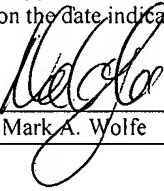


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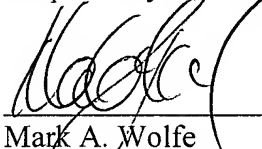
This preliminary amendment is being filed with the Rule 53 continuation-in-part application filed herewith. The specification has been amended to claim the benefit of, and incorporate by reference, a number of prior applications.

Original claims 1-4 have been canceled, and new claims 5-7 are presented. It is believed that claims 5-7 are identical to claims 5-7 previously allowed in parent application 09/903,923.

To the extent that the Examiner believes that a discussion with the Applicant will expedite the examination of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the Applicant at the telephone number listed below.

<p>Certification Under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 I hereby certify that this document is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail (mailing label no. ER078319667) addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Patent Application, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.</p> <p>Dated: August 5, 2003</p> <p> Mark A. Wolfe</p>
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Specification

Please amend the specification by replacing the paragraph following the heading "Cross Reference to Related Applications" with the following amended paragraphs:

This application is a continuation-in-part of copending application Serial No. 09/903,923 (entitled "A System and Method for Communicating Information Relating to a Network Resource"), filed July 12, 2001, which is a continuation of Serial No. 09/193,756 (entitled "A System and Method for Communicating Information Relating to a Network Resource"), now U.S. Patent No. 6,292,813, which claims the benefit of provisional application serial no. 60/066,058 (entitled "A System and Method for Communicating Information Relating to a Network Resource"), filed November 17, 1997, now expired.

This application is also a continuation-in-part of copending non-provisional application Serial No. 10/403,936 (entitled "Communication of Information Relating to a Network Resource"), filed March 31, 2003, which is a continuation-in-part of non-provisional application serial no. 09/566,703 (entitled "Communication of Supplemental Information For A Network Resource"), filed May 9, 2000, which claims the benefit of provisional application serial nos. 60/172,168 (entitled "Communication of Supplemental Information For A Network Resource"), filed December 17, 1999, 60/167,479 (entitled "Communication of Supplemental Information For A Network Resource"), filed November 24, 1999, and 60/133,781 (entitled "Communication of Supplemental Information For A Network Resource "), filed May 12, 1999.

Serial no. 10/403,936 is also a continuation-in-part of serial no. 09/258,873 (entitled "Communication of Information Relating to a Network Resource"), filed February 26, 1999, which claims the benefit of provisional application serial nos. 60/110,776 (entitled "Communication of Information Relating to a Network Resource"), filed December 3, 1998, 60/091,708 (entitled "Communication of Information Relating to a Network Resource"), filed July 3, 1998, and 60/076,147 (entitled "Communication of Information Relating to a Network Resource"), filed February 26, 1998. All of the applications identified above are hereby incorporated by reference into this application.

~~This application is a continuation of serial no. 09/193,756 (entitled "A System and Method for Communicating Information Relating to a Network Resource"), now U.S. Patent No.~~

~~_____, which claims the benefit of provisional application serial no. 60/066,058 (entitled “A System and Method for Communicating Information Relating to a Network Resource”), filed November 17, 1997. Both of these applications are hereby incorporated by reference.~~

Please replace the second full paragraph on page 2 with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 3 shows a simplified representation of a video display screen 32 for a computer such as that of Figure 1. The area 32 represents the area on a screen within which images, text, video, and other type of data or multimedia objects can be displayed and manipulated. Shown on the display 32 are a cursor 31, a taskbar 33 [[34]], application bars 35 on the taskbar, and an icon tray 37.

Please replace the third full paragraph on page 2 with the following amended paragraph:

Another type of object, window 34, is also shown on the display screen 32. The window 34 is a representation of a document retrieval, browsing, and/or viewing program that is used to view or interact with information or resources either stored locally on the computer or retrieved over a network. Such a program will hereinafter be referred to as a “browser,” but it should be understood that this term is meant to encompass other types of programs should be given a broad interpretation. The window 34 has a title area 36 that displays the title of the page, document, or network resource being presented or displayed, along with the server on which the document is located. Often this information is put in the form of a universal resource locator (URL) of the document being displayed, as is shown in Figure 3. Alternatively, an additional area within the window could be used for displaying the universal resource locator, as is found in most commercially available browsers. Other navigation buttons are usually also associated with a browser program and the window 34 [[36]], but for simplicity, these buttons and other navigational aids have been omitted from the Figures.

Please replace the last paragraph on page 3 with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 5 illustrates a diagram one possible implementation of how supplemental information is retrieved over the network using a reference server. Shown in Figure 5 is network having on it a number of computers or other devices, including devices 51 to 54. The device 51

is a client computer that has the browser program of Figures 3 and 4 executing on it. In Figure 5, the client computer 51 sends a request to device 52, asking for the “Kerner” document. The device 52, which represents the “MonticelloReporter.com” domain, responds by sending the requested document to the client computer 51 [[52]]. The client computer 51 displays the “Kerner” document as shown in window 34 in Figures 3 and 4. The client computer also sends a request to the configured reference server, asking for supplemental information about the “Kerner” document. As shown in Figure 5, the reference server for the client computer 51 is the device 54, which acts as the “reference.newsday.com” computer identified in the area 43 in Figure 4. The device 54 (i.e., the “reference server”) responds by identifying the “TwinCitiesTimes.com/942342.htm” document. The client computer then requests this document from the “TwinCitiesTimes.com” server, which is the device 53. When the device 53 sends the requested document to the client computer 51, the “TwinCitiesTimes.com/942342.htm” document is displayed in window 41, as shown in Figure 4.